

movement of the dose setting member is accompanied by a straining of the spring, and wherein the dose setting member is moveable in a second direction to selectively adjust the set dose;

a latch means associated with the housing to retain the apparatus in the set position against the bias of the spring means; and

wherein the latch means is releasable to cause the drive member to expel the set dose from the syringe, the force for expelling the set dose being provided by the spring means.

20.(Amended) A dose setting device for use in combination with a fluid-filled reservoir, the dose setting device being adapted for repetitive injection of individual set doses of fluid from the reservoir, the dose setting device comprising:

a housing;

a drive member adapted to expel a dose of medicine from the reservoir;

a spring means for driving the drive member to expel the dose;

a dose setting assembly mounted in the housing and connected to the spring means, the dose setting assembly comprising a dose setting member coupled to the drive member, the dose setting member being moveable in a first direction from an initial position to a selected set position against the bias of the spring means, wherein movement of the dose setting member is accompanied by straining of the spring means,

a first latch means associated with the housing to retain the device in a set position against the bias of the spring means,

the first latch means being releasable to cause the drive member to expel the set dose from the syringe, the force for expelling the set dose being provided by the spring means, and

wherein the coupling is adapted to be selectively disengaged thereby allowing the dose setting member to be moved in a second direction to selectively adjust the set dose.

25.(Amended) A method of infusing a flowable drug into a living subject is provided, comprising the steps of:

a. providing an injection device for repetitive injection of individually set doses of a drug from a reservoir, the injection device comprising a housing, a reservoir containing a drug to be injected and having an outlet means therefore, a drive member adapted to expel a dose of medicine from the reservoir, a spring member for driving the drive means, a dose setting assembly mounted in the housing and connected to the spring means, the dose setting assembly comprising a dose setting member being moveable in a first direction to a selected set position against the bias of the spring means, wherein movement of the dose setting member is accompanied by straining of the spring and wherein the dose setting member is moveable in a second direction to selectively adjust the set dose, a latch means associated with the housing to retain the injection device in the set position against the bias of the spring means, and the latch means being releaseable to cause the drive member to expel the set dose from the reservoir, the force for expelling the set dose being provided by the spring means, the method comprising the further steps of:

establishing a flow connection between the subject and the outlet means;  
selecting a dose by operating the dose setting member, and  
releasing the latch means thereby causing the spring means to drive the drive means to expel the set dose of the drug from the reservoir.